

Bowser Gets Office, But Doesn't Hold It Long

By M. QUAD

WHEN Mr. Bowser came home the other evening Mrs. Bowser handed him an official letter which had come with the 4 o'clock delivery.

"Um, um!" he muttered as he scanned the envelope. "Official business, eh? Well, we will look at this letter after dinner. I can tell you now what I think it is. We have lived in this ward for twenty years. I have been one of the wheel horses of my party during that time. I have always voted the straight ticket and paid my assessments when due. I have sometimes felt that some of the offices going around should come my way."

"But you don't think of running for an office, do you?" anxiously inquired Mrs. Bowser.

"I shall probably be asked to," he replied, "but I hardly think I shall accept. I find my time fully occupied with my business."

"Well," said Mrs. Bowser, "if you can hold a little office with a good salary, and one that won't take up too much of your time, I shall raise no objections."

"That's exactly the office I want. We might call it a sinecure. The pay must be big and the duties very light. I think a nice little position paying about \$75 a week is due me for what I have done for the party. I met one of the high political officials the other day, and I was telling him what I had done for the party and that it was under obligations to me, and he said he would see what could be done."

When dinner was finished the letter was opened. Bowser had a smile on his face as he began reading, but the smile quickly faded, and he brought his fist down on the letter and exclaimed:

"How dare he write to me like this—to me, Samuel Bowser!"

"Why, are you not to get a fat little office?" asked Mrs. Bowser.

"Fat, fat, fat! Why, dog the man's cats, he comes right out and insults me! He says I have been appointed a sanitary inspector. I am appointed to inspect the dumps."

"That means the garbage scows, doesn't it?"

"By the great horn spoon, but it does! I am to be stationed at the foot of forty-ninth street, and I have got to inspect every load the scow Sweet Clover



THEY SAW HIM AND HEARD HIM.

taken out to sea. She goes out with four loads a day, so you see I could not attend to the business."

"But couldn't you just take a look at her and walk away?"

"I'll take a look at the human hyena who wrote me this letter before I sleep tonight. You can see here he says I must go aboard this scow and walk all over and see that lost diamond necklace are not loaded with the garbage. I cannot use my perfume about me and I must at once learn several languages so that I can talk to the laborers. By John, Mrs. Bowser, I will tear that leader limb from limb!"

"But the salary must be awful big," said Mrs. Bowser.

"Big, big, big! Why, woman, he says the salary is \$40 a month. Twenty years have I been an old wheel horse and this is my reward. Mrs. Bowser, you see a desperate man before you. Twenty years and I have never split my ticket!"

"I know that you wouldn't split your ticket to vote for our minister's son when he was up for office last fall."

"Of course I wouldn't, and I didn't. I was just fool enough to think that I should be loyal. Great heavens! Shelled out dollars and dollars to the party to help pay for parades and speeches, and as a reward I'm pitched, head first, into the cargo of an old garbage scow. Mrs. Bowser, I have got to shed human gore to preserve my respect. I will return after I have washed my hands in the heart's blood of the jackal that wrote me this letter."

And two minutes later Mr. Bowser was on his way over to a plumbing shop, which was kept by the friend of the man who gave him an office. The plumber and the man were sitting inside and plainly smoking their cigars. They saw Mr. Bowser crossing the street, and one of them got up and looked the door. The "inspector," therefore, found it fast against him. He wanted blood, but he could not get it. They saw him and heard him, but they paid not the slightest attention. When he had menaced them with his fists and used up all the bad words in the singular language he knew he took his departure for home, and when Mrs. Bowser asked him how quickly the man died after receiving the mortal blow, he replied:

"I thought it best to leave him to Providence. The chances are nine in ten that he will die of heart disease before the sun rises again."

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Loose Knots

SHE tied a ribbon in her hair. HE tied the laces in her shoes. The knot was on the side; Of silk they were and wide. Before an hour had gone by But every little while, of course, That knot became untied. Those laces came untied.

A MARRIAGE knot was tied one day: She thought it would abide, But just a single year has passed— That knot, too, is untied!

—Tinkers Statesman.

Baseball Anatomy

THE former big league baseball manager who had been canned because the team finished last, as usual, was taking a civil service examination in order to secure a political job.

He was amazed at the list of fool questions on the examination paper. He didn't know the distance from the earth to the moon, so he passed that one up, and he could not describe a syzygy, so he called that test a loser.

But the third question interested him. It said:

"Name the largest bone in the human frame."

And with a grin of confidence the former manager wrote this answer:

"The head."—Cincinnati Enquirer.

LOOK FOR A RAID

Big Bend Troops Prepared to Repulse Villista Attack.

Starving Bandits Threaten to Charge Across Border.

FOOD RIOTS IN PARRAL

Disease Threatens to Become an Ally of Famine Now.

Herrera's Reported Resignation Regarded as False Rumor.

BY F. S. JACOBS.

El Paso, Tex., July 29.—Extra heavy patrols of American troops are along the border of the Big Bend district, in anticipation of an attack by the band of Villistas. L. F. Butrice, a ranchman of Terlingua, Tex., reported to military authorities at Marfa that the bandits—250 strong—were mobilized near Sierra Blanca, Chihuahua, about 60 miles south of the border. They are starving, he declared, and with food in the district where they are located, are planning a raid across the border.

Gaston is Prepared.

Upon receiving Butrice's report, General George Bell, Jr., in command here, telegraphed Colonel Joseph A. Gaston at Marfa to inquire if he needed assistance. Colonel Gaston made this laconic reply:

"We wish they would attack us." Should the Villistas invade American soil, Colonel Gaston will hurl at them the Sixth United States cavalry which he commands, as well as a battalion each of the Tenth and Sixteenth Pennsylvania militia on patrol duty in his district.

A report which created a sensation in military circles here was that General Luis Herrera, Carranza commander at Parral, had resigned. Persistent reports have been current recently that Herrera had been ordered by the de facto government first chief to supplant General Jacinto Trevino at Chihuahua City. Trevino's reply to this order, it has been asserted, was that he would execute the Parral commander immediately he enters Chihuahua.

Report Probably False.

Herrera's reported resignation was brought to Juarez by Mexicans from Chihuahua City. Andreas Garcia, Mexican consul here, denied he had received any notification of it and declared such a report probably was false. American military authorities, however, are inclined to believe that Herrera has resigned rather than obey Carranza's order and face Trevino's firing squad. If this proves true, it is corroborative of reports given out by the American war department that Trevino has broken with the de facto government.

A man claiming a distant relationship with a former secretary of state arrived from Parral with fresh accounts of economic suffering in Mexico.

"Food riots are daily occurrences in Parral," he said. "Sugar has gone up to 40 cents a kilo, gold; corn beef is selling at \$1.50 silver. Everything is drying up. The carcasses of horses and burros are seen everywhere. Disease is now threatening to add famine."

Major General Barker H. Bliss has completed his inspection of militia camps here. He expects to leave for Columbus today.

CHURCH NOTICES

(These notices must be in the Journal office by 2 o'clock on Friday afternoon, unless otherwise noted. In this column services will be held at 11 o'clock in the morning and 8 o'clock in the evening.)

Grace cathedral, Eighth and Taylor streets, J. P. deK. Kaye, decn. G. M. Gelsi, canon. Holy communion at 7:30 o'clock. Regular morning service. No evening service.

First German M. E. church, Fifth and Tyler streets, A. J. Ross, pastor. Morning service at 10:45 o'clock. Regular evening service.

First English Lutheran church, Fifth and Harrison streets. Morning service by the Rev. John A. Bright.

First United Presbyterian church, Eighth and Topeka avenue, Edgar P. Smith, pastor. Morning sermon subject, "The Complete Life."

Lowman Methodist church, Eleventh and Morris avenue, W. M. Balch, pastor. Morning sermon subject, "Salvation by Grace." Evening, fifteen minute sermon, "The Complete Life."

City Mission, 127 1-2 Kansas avenue, T. A. Walker, worker in charge. Meetings every evening except Monday. Elder C. L. Scott of Nebraska will preach at 7:30 o'clock in the afternoon.

Walnut Grove Methodist church, Sixteenth and Harrison streets, E. W. Spencer, pastor. Preaching morning and evening by the Rev. H. A. Church.

Seabrook Congregational church, Nineteenth and Highland avenues, Robert D. Bussey, pastor. Morning sermon subject, "The Man Next Door." Evening, "How Missions Bless the World."

East Side M. E. church, Seventh and Lime streets, J. F. Youngman, pastor. Morning sermon subject, "The Captain of Our Faith." Evening, union service of East Side churches.

First Swedish Baptist church, Fourth and Fillmore streets, C. A. Aldeen, pastor. Morning sermon subject, "Christian and Pharisaic Righteousness." Evening, "Duties and Privileges of Citizenship."

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SEVEN SENTENCE SERMONS

Impatient people water their miseries and hoe up their comforts.—Spurgeon.

Sharp wits, like sharp knives, do often cut their owner's fingers.—Arrowsmith.

If I knew you and you knew me—
If both of us could clearly see,
And with an inner sight divine
The meaning of your heart and mine,
I'm sure that we would differ less
And clasp our hands in friendliness:
Our thoughts would pleasantly agree
If I knew you and you knew me.

—Nixon Waterman.

I am responsible before God for the work I might have done and did not do.—R. A. Torrey.

If we have only hope in Christ in this life, we are of all men most pitiable.—I Cor. 15:19.

My heart with sin and fear defiled
Come Thou, and cast the tempter out,
And make me as a little child.

—Randolph.

Endeavor to be patient in bearing with the defects and infirmities of others, of what sort soever they be, for that thyself also hast many failings which must be borne with by others.—Thomas a Kempis.

ernoon and at the evening service.

First Methodist Episcopal church, Sixth and Harrison streets, Benjamin Young, D. D., pastor. Morning sermon subject, "A Message for Today." Evening, union service at the First Baptist church.

Pentecostal Church of the Nazarene, 1110 Buchanan street, A. F. Balsmeier, pastor. Preaching services at 10:45 and 7:45 o'clock, conducted by the Rev. W. R. Cain of Wichita.

Third Presbyterian church, Fourth and Branner streets, S. B. Alderson, pastor. Morning, reception of members. This church unites in the union service at the East Side Methodist church.

Polwin Presbyterian church, Fifth and West streets, H. L. Nelson, pastor. The Rev. J. T. Copley will conduct the morning service. No evening service. Preaching services discontinued during the month of August.

Spiritualist Temple builders, 122 East Sixth avenue. Meetings at 2 o'clock at which Mrs. Burt A. Coulter will lecture. Evening, lecture by J. H. Fouch, and messages.

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IT TURNS TO GOLD

How Transmutation of Metals Took Place at Globe.

Story of Inspiration Copper Reads Like a Romance.

STOCK SOLD AT 15 CENTS

It Has Been Skyrocketing Now for Several Years.

Topeka Citizens Have Made Fortunes in It.

Stories of fabulous fortunes made in a night have nothing on a true story of dozens of Topeka men who have made small and large fortunes out of copper stocks purchased in 1902 for 15 cents a share. These same stocks are now commanding \$50 and \$52 a share.

As a result, men poor then in Topeka are wealthy. For instance, Judge Frank Doster purchased stock and took more on a debt. As a result he has got all of his money out of the investment and has stated that his holdings were worth \$100,000 when the stock reaches \$50 a share.

Par Plenty for Many.

Despite the pleas of W. A. Neiswanger, a Topeka real estate dealer, most of the Topeka people sold their stock when it reached par, \$10. On one day when it was announced that the stock had reached par, Topeka people unloaded \$57,000 worth of stock. Now it is selling at five times par. Among the Topeka stockholders, past and present, in this investment, the Inspiration Consolidated Copper company, are:

J. F. Switzer, George E. Bell, C. J. Pope, Dr. J. C. McClintock, Albert Knowles, S. S. Ott, C. Flowers, Ed. Arnold, C. B. Merriam, Frank Merriam, J. C. Mohler, Mrs. Martin Mohler, Ralph Brigham, F. C. Kelley, Mary E. Kelley, C. P. Bolmar, Earl Stark, Mrs. Jennie Weber, Mrs. "Daddy" Rust, Miss Emma Silver, Alva Ford, A. C. Scott, Dr. P. E. Voss, J. H. Nuttman, Mrs. James P. Howe, Annie M. Greenwood, Mrs. J. W. Thurston, F. A. Brigham, Judge Smith, C. O. Knowles, A. A. Klingaman, J. C. Cole, Miss Leola Dyer, Mrs. Caroline R. Doster, L. W. Wilson, P. W. Griggs, Rube Knowles, T. A. McKee, James P. Howe, A. E. Strauss, S. Stanton, Judge Frank Doster, Bennett R. Wheeler.

Real Story Like Fiction.

Reading almost like fiction is the story of this copper investment which created so much excitement in Topeka years ago.

Early in March, 1902, W. A. Neiswanger, who was then engaged in business in Kansas City, called at the office of Moulton, Popenoe & Hosier in the Bryant building on an errand pertaining to real estate. There he was introduced to J. D. Copley of Globe, Arizona. Mr. Neiswanger became interested in the tales told by Mr. Copley of his copper properties in Arizona and after an investigation decided Copley was not only honest, but knew what he was talking about.

Shortly afterwards a party of Kansas City men, accompanied by Mr. Neiswanger and Ralph Brigham, a Topeka sign painter, arrived in Arizona to investigate the properties exploited by Mr. Copley. Very soon after the return of the investigating party, the full organization of the company took place under the name of the "Pacific Mining and Metal Company."

Needed \$37,000.

The capital stock was \$2,000,000 par value, \$1 per share. The first block of stock was placed on the market at 15 cents per share; then at 25 cents and shortly afterwards at \$1 per share. Meantime the capital was raised to \$3,000,000 by reason of the company's acquiring more holdings.

This property was purchased in the fall of 1903 at a cost of \$2,000,000. A thousand dollars was paid in cash and the balance was to be paid in gold at the First National Bank in Globe, Arizona, May 1, 1903.

Stockholders Get Mad.

Trouble again. The stock at \$1 a share didn't sell. Many meetings were held that netted nothing, the chief reason being that Mr. Copley would not surrender control. Conditions went from bad to worse, with the stockholders feeling that they had lost out.

"I, too, who had begged them to buy, began to feel that my home would be a little more pleasant way from Topeka," said Mr. Neiswanger.

It was nearing spring and the efforts of Mr. Neiswanger and others were frantic to raise the \$57,000 in gold due at Globe, Ariz., May 17. Mr. Copley came to Topeka early in May and held a midnight conference with Edward Wilder, a heavy stockholder. The meeting was continued the next morning at the National hotel, and resulted in the control of the property being turned over to Mr. Wilder and associates.

Throw Grips on Train.

There was no time to lose. Mr. Copley couldn't get to Globe, Ariz., before May 18 and the payment was due there on May 17. They jumped into a buggy and rushed to the station. Mr. Copley braided his train and his grips were thrown in after him.

Telegrams were sent to Globe, Ariz., announcing Mr. Copley's arrival on May 18 with the gold ready for payment. The property was saved.

Mr. Wilder immediately reorganized with S. S. Ott, C. O. Knowles and W. A. Neiswanger on the board. New blood meant a new name. Mr. Neiswanger insisted that it be The Inspiration Consolidated Copper company.

An \$87,000 Inspiration.

Mr. Neiswanger desired the name because an inspiration of C. J. Devlin, in the Bank of Topeka, during the midnight meeting made it possible for the hard-pressed financiers to raise the \$87,000 in gold.

Other troubles came but the company prospered as did the Topeka stockholders. Instead of being driven out of town on a rail, Mr. Neiswanger is a wealthy and respected citizen of Topeka and those who invested upon his recommendations still feel grateful.

"They begged me with tears in their eyes to buy stock," said Senator Troutman today. "I refused and a few days later purchased some gold mine stock and lost a bunch of money."

Soon wealthy eastern investors became interested, fully developed and equipped the mine and today it is known as the second largest copper mine in America. The Guggenheims are among the easterners who aided in the mine's development.

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